

News and Views . . .

and what have you

by BOB CRAIG

For the next three days Hamlin will go western as the Hamlin Riding Club will hold their fourth annual rodeo at their vastly improved arena.

For those who have stayed away in the past because of the lack of grandstands, you can come out because the club has built a large new grandstand that any rodeo could be proud of.

A real fine show is in store for everything this year as the club has gone to a great deal of trouble coming up with new and different things to please everyone's tastes.

While the rodeo is being sponsored by the Riding Club it should be considered Hamlin's rodeo and everyone that can should make every effort to help with the show in any way that they can.

The riding club has made tremendous strides in growing and improving their facilities each year and putting on a bigger and better show but until the whole town gets behind them with both organizational help and manpower the ultimate growth will be limited.

This can be something that Hamlin can take great pride in over the years if other organizations of the town will get in and help.

Dear Bob:

I would like to ask a personal favor of you if it is in line with your policy, I would appreciate your calling attention in your column on the front page of the Herald to a fact that should be of interest to the Citizens of Hamlin, this is the East Cemetery.

We are trying to keep the Cemetery reasonably clean with practically no funds to operate on, the only revenue we have is from sale of lots and maintenance by families who have been accustomed to paying \$12.00 per year for this work. As you know, after a 7 inch rain of two weeks duration, the growth of weeds cannot be controlled over night.

We have very few people who are donating to this cause, no help from any organization at all, of course when they drive out and they do occasionally, they expect to see every lot clean the day after the rain stops, which is a physical impossibility. Unless more people would donate or at least do their own work, there is not too much to expect.

If you can conscientiously bring this before the public, I would certainly appreciate it and I would be glad to put this in as a "Paid Ad" but your column, I observe, is read by more people and would do more good than a plea from me. Mrs. D. D. Harden is the president of the Association.

Sincerely,
Lennie Greenway

Dear Editor:
My family can never forget the kind treatment of the Hamlin people following our near-fatal accident in Hamlin on Friday, May 4th.

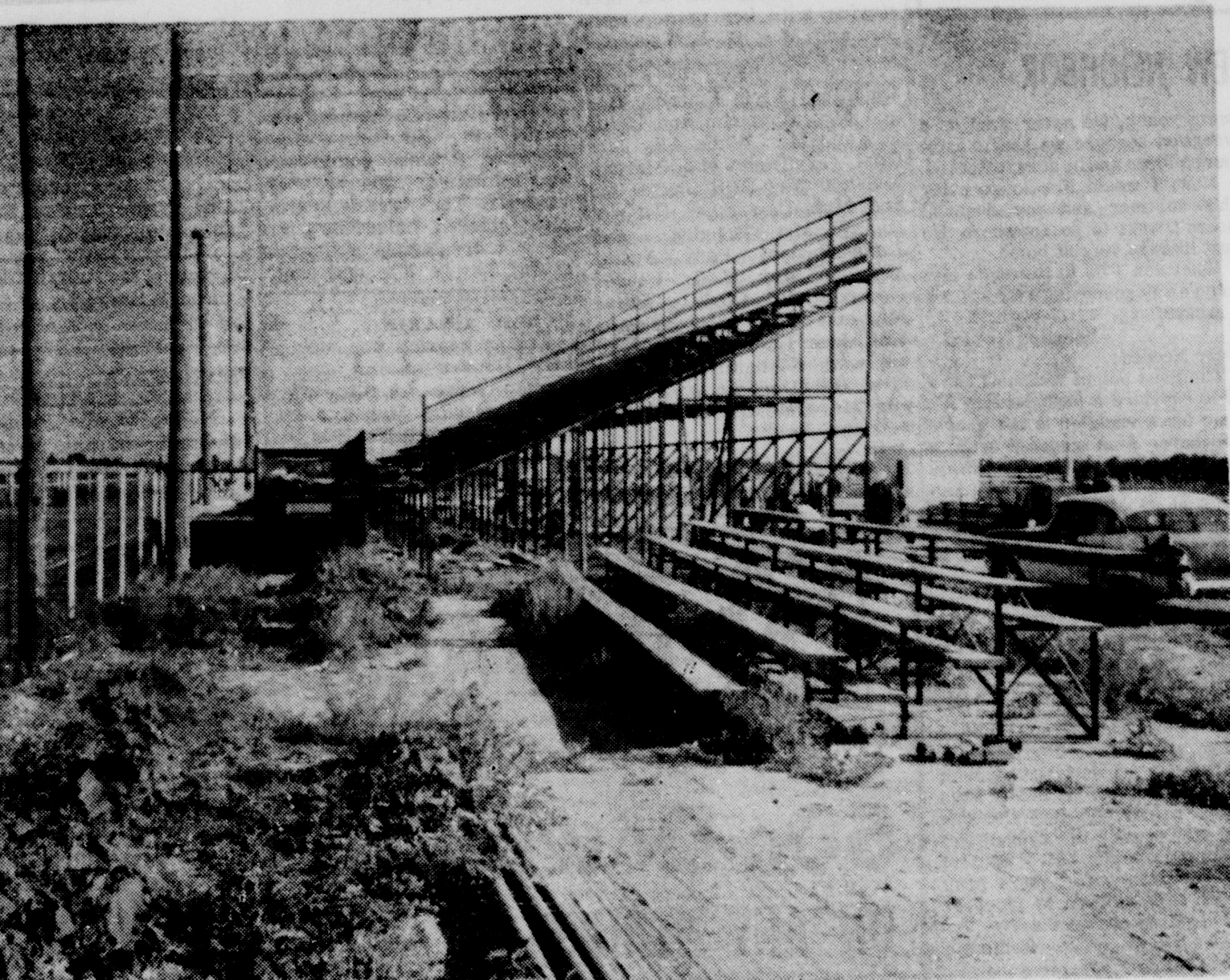
Everybody did everything they could do for us. They just did everything.

On May 16 we brought my wife to the Plainview hospital and only this week we took her home. But she is still very weak and it is going to require several weeks or even months for her to get completely well.

But she is improving.

The children, Francis and David, are fine but still have scars.

Hamlin is the kind of town that a family would like to live in.



NEW GRANDSTAND FOR RODEO ARENA—Workers were putting the finishing touches to the new 1,000 seat grandstand being built by the Riding Club for this year's rodeo. At the bottom of the stand, against the fence are two rows of reserved seats, each row contains 17 boxes. The box seats are being sold on a five year option. A new restroom has also been added to the facilities during the past year.

Eleven From Hamlin Register for Summer Band

ABILENE—Eleven Hamlin students have registered for the annual big summer band and twirling school of McMurry College to be held July 15 through July 27 according to Dr. Raymond T. Bynum, director of the famed school and head of the McMurry band.

The students from Hamlin are Gary Jay, Jack E. Townley Jr., Kathy Hallmark, Polly Jackson, Freddie Shave, Carolyn Reynolds, Carolyn Reynolds, Mary Margaret Turner, Mary Lois Paterson, James E. Hawkins and Margie Young.

The students will live on the McMurry campus during the two weeks and appropriate social activities and sports are being arranged during the off hours and evening, under experienced chaperones, but the students may live off the campus if it is more convenient for them.

Classes will be offered in individual instruments, conducting, marching and twirling, stage band, theory and band performance.

Some of the faculty to be teaching this year are Robert Gans of Winters, theory; Fred Smith of Brownfield, clarinet; Gary Zook of Olney, flute; Tim Jones of Hamlin, French horn; Merle Jenkins of Cooper High School in Abilene, cornet and trumpet; Dwight Tomb of Colorado City, percussion; Bill Dean (bassoon and oboe), Carl Lobitz (trombone, Gene Smith (saxophone) and Donald Baird (baritone), all of Odessa.

School Annuals To be In Monday

The Hamlin High School Annuals will be in on Monday, June 25. Students can pick up their annuals from 9:00 to 12:00 in the morning and from 3:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon on Monday at Hamlin High School. If a student is unable to get his annual, please send someone else to pick it up. Otherwise the annual will be kept at school until next fall. If someone else gets your annual, be sure and give him your receipt.

Fire Monday Nets Light Damage

A fire at the Minnie Mae Gibson residence in East Hamlin was reported at 5:15 p.m. Monday to the Hamlin Volunteer Fire Department. The building is owned by Lem Sheffield. Damage to the building was light and cause of the blaze was undetermined.

This is the only alarm which has been answered since last report.

COUNCIL SETS HEARING ON BUDGET FOR MONDAY NIGHT

The Hamlin City Council accepted the proposed budget for the coming year at their regular meeting Tuesday night and set a Public Hearing on the \$266,000 budget for Monday night at 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall.

The council also contracted Johnny Baker of Fort Worth to seal coat 30 blocks of city streets. He is expected to start work on the project around July 1. Streets to be seal coated will be the streets paved during the last paving program and a few other of the older streets.

The city dads opened bids on city water works improvements but the bids will be accepted next Tuesday night after the city's engineers, Free-Nichols of Fort Worth, study the bids.

Bob Craig and Max Murrell, representing the Hamlin Jaycees requested permission for the club to build a Miniature Golf course in the city park. The months ago.

club agreed to pay the city five per cent of the net profit on the operation. The money is to go into the park and recreation fund. The council approved the project.

The Jaycees also presented a resolution passed by the organization that the council set up in the annual budget a sum of money to be used for city-wide recreation. They also recommended that an advisory Park and Recreation Board be appointed to recommend how the money is to be used. The councilmen took the matter under consideration and will take action on it later after they have time to study the proposal further.

In other action the council ordered that the parking meter poles on the city streets be removed and that the holes be filled. They also hired Frank Chapman as permanent Chief of Police. He had been hired as temporary chief several months ago.

62 ATTEND ANNUAL JONES CO. 4-H CAMP AT BUFFALO GAP

Sixty-two 4-H Club members from Jones County held their annual 4-H Camp at Buffalo Gap Presbyterian Encampment Grounds Thursday, June 14, according to Extension Agents Mary Newberry and Kirby Clayton.

It was a full day for the youngsters. The program ranged from swimming and pitching horseshoes to watching a game warden handle rattlesnakes. The snake-handling demonstration was given by Cecil Fox of Spur, who is employed by the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission of Texas. Mr. Fox also gave the group a demonstration on how to milk the poison from a rattlesnake; he milked 41 drops out of one fang from a large rattler.

The 4-Hers arrived back in Anson around 9:00 o'clock on Friday morning, June 15.

The county group studied in two workshops; safety and first aid for minor cuts, bruises and wildlife. The remainder of the periods during the day were filled with washers, baseball, horseshoes, swimming, and other recreational activities.

Thursday night the group was entertained with a special showing of several films and a talk by Herschell McDonald of the Hawley 4-H Club. The program ended Thursday night with vespers.

Winners in the various contests were: Senior Group: washers—1st, Barry Olive and Dillard, 2nd, Patty and Ham, 3rd, Jones and Vaughn, 4th Smith

Rountree Given 20-Year Pin

W. G. Rountree, Hamlin's water superintendent, received a 20 year pin last week in recognition of 20 years of service as cooperative weather observer here. The letter from Gilbert E. Stegall, supervising climatologist of the Weather Bureau of the U. S. Department of Commerce conveyed congratulations from the Secretary of the Department of Commerce, the Chief of the Weather Bureau and many Weather Bureau employees.

Stegall wrote "This is a creditable record of public service. The results of your efforts are used every day by many organizations and individuals in governmental activities as well as in private enterprise."

HOSPITAL NOTES

Following are names of the patients in Hamlin Memorial Hospital Wednesday noon:

Mrs. Tommy Davis
Ethyl Bowen
Mrs. Bruce McCain
Mrs. T. E. Green
Mrs. Valente Romero
Mrs. E. M. Wilson
Mrs. Ronald Carter
Mr. Will Andrews
Mrs. A. Mayfield
Mrs. Charles Pearce
Chris Hubbard
Mrs. Earl Brown
Mrs. J. E. Crow
Mr. John Gibbons
Mrs. Roy Kelly
J. W. Hines
Mrs. R. J. Waddle
Mrs. R. H. Cooley
Mrs. Bill Scott
Mrs. George Campbell
Mrs. A. A. Neagle
Ronnie Warneke
J. M. Smallwood
Ann Rabjohn

Randy Brown Named Member

Kansas City, Mo.—Randy Brown, Hamlin, today was named to junior membership in the American Hereford Association, the world's largest purebred registry organization, with headquarters in Kansas City, Missouri.

Sixty-one junior Hereford breeders were placed on the Association's official roster during May. The Association maintains active accounts for more than 80,000 breeders of registered Herefords over the nation.

The Hereford Association during the last fiscal year recorded 476,367 purebred calves. The year's total recordings were the eighth highest on record and almost twice the combined registrations of other major beef breeds.

Major Guy M. Wilson, son of Mrs. M. C. Wilson, Midland, and nephew of J. S. Dickey and E. M. Wilson, received the "Citizen of the Year" Award at the annual presentation banquet of the Vienna, Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

Parade Opens Rodeo Today

Two new events have been added to the program of Hamlin Amateur Rodeo which opens here Thursday with a parade at 4 p.m. Goat sacking for the youngsters and team tying, or head and heeling, will be new thrills for spectators.

The performances this year have been dedicated to the memory of the late Mr. Robert Johnson, a man who was an original member when the club was formed in 1958.

Plans had been made before his death for Mr. Johnson to be recognized as the honored guest at the performances. As this year's parade boss, he had worked during the early years to help in forming the group and had continued through the years to assist the clubs every effort.

The goat sacking will not require an entry fee but each contestant will have to show their ticket stub to be eligible. The contest is for youngsters 12 and under.

The team tying event is the practice used on the range to brand big cattle. The contestant races with the clock as he ropes the head and turns back, and his helper ropes the heels. The "header" ties the back legs. Animals weighing 500 to 600 pounds are used for this event.

T. W. Flenniken, rodeo superintendent, said this week that Rusty Bradley of Iowa Park, Burl Hittson of Breckenridge and D. O. Horney of Kansas are just a few of the well known rodeo participants that are expected here during the three day event.

The roping for cowboys 45 and older is expected to draw a number of experienced ropers.

A check with the rodeo headquarters in the Hamlin Board of Community Development office early Wednesday afternoon revealed that all of the events were filling up and a good rodeo is expected.

The performances will open each evening at 7:30 p.m. with the grand entry followed by the bareback bronc riding event. The calf roping, with two divisions, 45 and older and the older ropers, is next followed by the barrel racing

event and the open division. The goat sacking is next on the program for the youngsters. Contestants 12 years old and under, will work in pairs as they catch the goats and sack them. Prizes will be awarded in this event.

The team tying event will be followed by the kids flag race for two age groups. This is limited to youngsters from Jones County.

The wild mare race, the spectators favorite, will pit

man against beast as the rider and his helpers try to saddle and ride the wild mares.

The rodeo will be climaxed with the bull riding event, another rodeo favorite.

Roy Thompson is chairman of the rodeo committee. The BCD has assisted the Hamlin Riding Club in advance publicity and registration. The Hamlin Jaycees will man the concession stand. The proceeds from the stand will go to the riding club.

HAMLIN YOUTH'S CAR FOUND NEAR LIBERTY; STOLEN WED.

Hamlin Police Chief Frank Chapman learned Tuesday that the car stolen last week from a Hamlin man has been found at Liberty, Tex., and that the car thief has been charged with rape at Nacogdoches.

Cecil Ray Robertson, 19, of Hamlin, was pushed out of his 1960 Plymouth last Wednesday night as he was taking the Negro man whose car had stalled to a friend's house.

Robertson had purchased the car only three days before it was stolen and had put on a new set of tires that morning.

Chief Chapman said the Plymouth was found at Liberty Tuesday. The auto apparently is in fair condition, he reported.

The suspect, however, is still at large, Chapman said. According to the police of-

ficer, the Negro suspect, believed to live at Center, Tex., stole a car last week in Longview, abandoned it in Center, got to Hamlin where he stole Robinson's car, forged a check in Anson, allegedly assaulted a woman in Nacogdoches and has disappeared.

The wanted man is described as being 5 foot-11 inches tall with a heavy scar on his left side of his face. He is said to be 31 or 32 years old.

To Host Supper

A supper and program will be hosted Thursday night by the Carl Murrell Chevrolet Company for area authorized new car dealers, their parts managers and independent garage men.

The program will be given by Chevrolet office personnel from Dallas.

BRUCELLOSIS TESTING TO START IN COUNTY BY MIDDLE OF JULY

Testing cattle for Brucellosis in Jones County will begin mid July according to word this week from Jones County Agent, Kirby Clayton.

The law provides that cattlemen will be responsible for furnishing a satisfactory holding pen for the cattle and for sufficient help to get cattle

rounded up and in the pens. Plans for construction head gates are available at the county agent's office and ranchers who are interested in securing one of these may call by the county agent's office.

Testing at first will be on a voluntary basis and anyone interested in getting his name in for the first testing should call, write or come by the agent's office.

Livestock men who volunteer their cattle for testing, should be careful to give name, address and the number of head to be tested.

Further details on the overall organizational meetings for Jones County will be released at a later date.

Visiting from San Angelo are Mrs. Jesse Kelly and children Quita and Tony. They have been hosted by Mrs. Lina Scott, Mr. and Mrs. John Decker and Mr. and Mrs. K. O. Garrett.

EX-STUDENTS WANTED

The Hamlin Ex-students Association is continuing work on getting information on ex-students and teachers of the Hamlin Public Schools or schools that have consolidated with the local system.

In preparation for the annual homecoming which will be Saturday, September 8, the association is in the process of mailing each ex-student a letter requesting information about themselves and a dollar for membership dues. The group is planning a small ex-student directory which will include information about the families of all former students and teachers. The information is needed soon so that the organization can make plans for the publication.

All ex-students and teachers who have not filled out a form are asked to fill out the blank below and send with a dollar to Mrs. Kenneth Riddle, president, Hamlin Ex-Students Association, Box 323, Hamlin, Texas.

MAIL TODAY

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|------|
| Name | First | Middle | Maiden | Last |
| Address | | | | |
| Class (Or approx. year) | School | | | |
| Occupation | Husband's or wife's occupation | | | |
| CHILDREN: Name | Age | | | |
| Name | Age | | | |
| Name | Age | | | |
| Your Suggestions | | | | |

EX-STUDENT OFFICERS PLAN TO PUBLISH DIRECTORY

Officers of the Hamlin Ex-students Association met Tuesday night at the telephone building to make further plans for the annual Homecoming to be held September 8.

The group decided to publish a student directory of names and addresses of ex-students and ex-teachers. If space and funds permit, more information giving the occupations and number of children will be used. Final plans have not been completed. James E. Rodgers is in charge of the project.

The officers also voted to give cash prizes for entries in classes or class organization the parade sponsored by the in school. First place will receive \$25.00, second place \$15.00, and third place \$10.00. Trophies will be awarded to the top three entries in the division which will include those sponsored by civic clubs and individuals.

A division has also been planned for the former classes. A representative from each class will be responsible for getting a car from the year they graduated and contacting former classmates to ride in the car. Anyone interested in helping promote the entry for their class should contact J. C. Turner, parade marshal, or any of the officers of the association.

The parade has been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Saturday, September 8.

The current file of names and addresses of the alumni includes a lot of information but it is still incomplete. Current addresses of the former students will have to be in by August 1 in order for the directory to be correct. Anyone who has information about someone who might have mov-